

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2557 - SB 3199

February 20, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Environment and Conservation to conduct a public hearing prior to the issuance of a permit for the storage, treatment or disposal of nuclear materials.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$ 11,200/One-Time
\$146,500/Recurring**

Assumptions:

- Approximately 70 applicable permits issued annually.
- The Department of Environment and Conservation would require two new staff members to conduct state-wide meetings each week.
- One Environmental Specialist at a total recurring cost of \$72,300 including salary (\$47,500), benefits (\$16,200), travel (\$3,000), printing (\$300), office space (\$2,700), phone (\$600), office supplies (\$300), network connection (\$1,200), and an annual contribution to the Equipment Replacement Fund (\$500).
- One Health Physics Supervisor at a total recurring cost of \$65,100 including salary (\$42,200), benefits (\$14,300), travel (\$3,000), printing (\$300), office space (\$2,700), phone (\$600), office supplies (\$300), network connection (\$1,200), and an annual contribution to the Equipment Replacement Fund (\$500).
- A court reporter for at least one day per week at a daily rate of \$175 for 52 weeks for a total recurring cost of \$9,100 ($\$175 \times 52 = \$9,100$).
- The total increase in one-time state expenditures associated with the two positions is \$11,200. Such costs are for office landscaping \$7,200 ($\$3,600 \times 2 \text{ positions} = \$7,200$) and PC's \$4,000 ($\$2,000 \times 2 \text{ positions} = \$4,000$).
- The total increase in recurring state expenditures is estimated to be \$146,500 ($\$72,300 + \$65,100 + \$9,100 = \$146,500$).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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